

THE NEWS

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St. Michael's College  Alumni Association

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JUBILEE OF UNIVERSITY FEDERATION

SIXTY YEARS AGO a small Catholic College, young in years but possessed of an ancient tradition, was approached by the governing body of a great University and asked to become a part of that University. Such a plan was unique in the academic world. Nowhere else was such a scheme in operation.

After much prayer and study the plan was endorsed by Ecclesiastical authorities and St. Michael's College became an integral part of the University of Toronto, the Provincial University for Ontario. Care was taken to protect the heritage which the College had been commissioned to pass on to its students and provision was made to ensure for them the advantages which only a large University could offer.

This was the beginning of the development which has resulted in the present constitution of the Faculty of Arts in the University of Toronto. Four federated colleges make up that faculty, each contributing to the culture of the University as a whole and each deriving benefits from that association.

The plan was originally endorsed in 1881 but it was not till thirty years later that it became operative at St. Michael's. Those years were spent in preparation for this great undertaking.

In May, '41, we are going to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of that memorable occasion. Academically it will be an occasion of brilliance and splendor with representatives from the universities of the world in attendance. Socially it will be the event in St. Michael's history. Tentative plans call for the presence of one of the outstanding speakers of the continent at the Jubilee Dinner.

For the Old Boys it will mean meeting the old gang. There will be class reunions, class dinners and a few midnight pow-pows. Your friends will be here; many of your old teach-

The Honour Roll

OLD BOYS of the College enlisted in the Canadian Active Service Corps or in the Imperial Forces:

F. J. J. BLACK, '39.
CLAUDE COURTNEY BOND, '28.
J. FRANK BRENNAN, '25.
EDWARD NORMAN BROWN, '35.
THOMAS HENRY CAIN, '35.
JAMES EDWARD CORRIGAN, B.A., '35.
WALTER H. DUNNE, '32.
MEREDITH JOSEPH EGAN, M.A., '39.
JOHN BENEDICT FLAHIFF, '36.
EDWARD G. GILMORE, '30.
PATRICK HITCHCOCK, '21.
DR. ARTHUR B. JAMES, '23.
BERNARD PATRICK KEENAN, '33.
JOSEPH PAUL KELLY, '32.
DR. G. F. LAMBERT, '32.
REV. J. G. McCABE, B.A., '20.
T. J. McCANN, B.A., '29.
HARRY McGRATH, '29.
D. McKAY, '37.
PAUL McLAUGHLIN, '39.
VERY REV. M. C. O'NEIL, B.A., '24.
GEORGE EDWARD ST. DENIS, '34.
PATRICK SHANAHAN, '18.
FRANCIS CHARLES SILLS, '38.
RICHARD WELSH, '36.

This is the first list of those who have enlisted for active service. It is not complete. If you know of any former student whose name should be included in this list, please forward details to the Secretary of the Alumni Association.

ers also. They will be looking for you. There must be no disappointments on those days.

You will be informed as soon as the two days are determined; but they will be in May, '41. Five Thousand Old Boys present is our motto.

THE NEWS

*Devoted to the interests of
the Old Boys*

*of
St. Michael's College*

Published every now and then

St. Michael's College Alumni Association Officers 1940.

*President—The Reverend Walter M. Gonter, '12,
Buffalo, N.Y.*

Vice-President—William J. O'Brien, '11, Toronto.

Vice-President—John M. Bennett, '12, Toronto.

*Secretary-Treasurer—The Reverend J. W. Dore,
'22, Toronto.*

A SCHOLARSHIP FUND

At the meeting of the Association in August, 1939, authorization was given for the establishment of a Scholarship Fund.

Stressing the need, Father McCorkell said: "A number of boys are compelled to leave the College each year, because of insufficient means. Frequently as little as one hundred dollars would enable a student to continue his course. We strive to do our part in deserving cases, but naturally, there is a limit and I fear, I have too often overreached it."

With the approval of the Executive it was decided that each member of the Association would be asked to add his share in this project to his annual alumni fee. This fee is \$2.00. There are many among you who would be glad to add a little extra, knowing for what purpose it will be utilized. If we had a hundred who would make their contribution \$10.00 instead of \$2.00 and a few more hundred who would contribute \$5.00, many worthy students would benefit.

Here at the College we know of many outstanding students who should have the opportunity of a higher education. There are vocations to the Priesthood among these boys, there are future leaders among them, there are those who would make great scholars. St. Michael's stands alone among Colleges in having no scholarships to help such boys achieve their goals. Could the Alumni Association devote itself to a better work than aiding these boys.

This plan has already been broached to a small number to whom Father Gonter wrote personally. The response was so encouraging that this appeal is being made to every Old Boy. We all feel sure that the response will be just as generous. Send along your contributions, now, before you forget, to Father Dore, at the College.

Requiescant in Pace



Patrick W. Hynes, '75

July 12, 1939, Toronto, Ont.

The Reverend James W. Dolan, '86

July 19, 1939, Springfield, Mass.

The Rt. Reverend Alfred T. Lellis, B.A., '15

July 30, 1939, Toronto, Ont.

The Reverend A. H. Walsh, '76

September 30, 1939, Parsons, Kansas.

The Reverend John Quigley, '06

October 28, 1939, Geneva, Ill.

James P. Murphy, B.A., '17

November 27, 1939, Fort William, Ont.

Hugh B. Duffy, '93

December 9, 1939, Staten Island, N.Y.

The Reverend John B. Bennett, '07

January 2, 1940, Franklin, N.J.

Stuart Banks, '17

January 24, 1940, Toronto, Ont.

Andrew O'Brien, '75

January 28, 1940, Hamilton, Ont.

The Reverend Simon A. Armstrong, B.A., '16

February 6, 1940, Brechin, Ont.

Dr. John A. Amyot, F.R.C.P., '86

February 13, 1940, Ottawa, Ont.

The Reverend Thomas P. Leonard, '89

February 14, 1940, Wilkes Barre, Pa.

The Reverend J. Francis Kelly, B.A., '26

February 18, 1940, Hamilton, Ont.

J. Bernard Gillies, B.A., '20

February 29, 1940, Akron, Ohio.

John J. Malone, '20

March 19, 1940, Mimico, Ont.

Fergus J. Hickey, B.Sc., '29

April 4, 1940, Toronto, Ont.

The Reverend K. J. McRae, '80

April 9, 1940, St. Catharines, Ont.

The Reverend Charles J. O'Brien, B.A., '31

April 30, 1940, Richmond Hill, Ont.

Frank J. Crohan, '98

May 4, 1940, New York, N.Y.

PONTIFICAL INSTITUTE OF MEDIAEVAL STUDIES
59 QUEEN'S PARK CRESCENT
TORONTO, ONTARIO

To the OLD BOYS of Saint Michael's:

Because the Basilian Fathers of Saint Michael's College have stood unswervingly for high standards of Christian learning and culture; because they have constantly striven with a "divine discontent" to surpass their own previous achievements by efforts for still higher things; because they have always regarded, with becoming modesty, the best they had accomplished as inadequate for and unworthy of their exalted mission to represent the finest traditions of Catholic culture at their very best; honour, praise and recognition from many quarters have therefore been bestowed upon them and their work.

Of all the marks of confidence they have received, none can compare with the gracious testimony recently accorded by His Holiness the Pope at the instance of the Cardinal Archbishop of Quebec and the whole Canadian Hierarchy.

On the 18th of October, the Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, Our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI, deigned to hear the petition of the Bishops of Canada and grant canonical erection to the Institute of Mediaeval Studies, founded by the Basilian Fathers at St. Michael's College, ten years previous to that date. By virtue of the Papal Charter issued on that occasion, the Institute was made a Pontifical Institute and given the right to confer academic degrees in Mediaeval Studies.

The importance and significance of this act on the part of the Holy See can scarcely be appreciated by people living to-day. We are too close to the event. But one far-seeing Bishop has written to me to say that the granting of this charter marks the most important event which has taken place in the history of education in this country.

It means that the Holy See looks to Toronto for the advancement of knowledge of the traditional culture which has shaped Christian Europe in the past and made the Middle Ages a great period of Christian civilization. It means, also, that the Pope expects from His Institute the development and propagation of a genuinely Catholic outlook on the problems of our own day in harmony with the long tradition and history of Catholic education, life, thought and culture.

For that purpose, the Holy Father established a special Pontifical Institute, the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, Toronto, the only one in the world devoted to this work and one of the few Pontifical Institutes established by the Holy See. For this purpose, also, the Holy Father has created special academic degrees, the Licentiate and the Doctorate in Mediaeval Studies, to be conferred upon those who are trained under its auspices.

This Institute has grown and flourished within the very walls of St. Michael's College, your Alma Mater, and owes its existence to the same spirit of modest hard work, honest scholarship and high spiritual ideals which have characterized the life and labours of the men who gave you of their best during your student-days at St. Michael's.

Gratitude to our Most Holy Father for the august recognition He has given your College should spur you on to support and prosper the undertaking which His Holiness has so graciously sponsored. Funds are needed for scientific equipment, for books for the library, for scholarships and endowments. May we not look to the OLD BOYS to help provide for the material needs of an enterprise so thoroughly cultural, so important in our day and, above all, so profoundly Catholic?

GERALD B. PHELAN,
President.

Among the Alumni

— 1892 —

Reverend A. J. Hurley is now pastor of the parish at Seal Beach, Cal.

— 1900 —

Last summer Father Edward Fitzpatrick, Bar Harbour, Maine, said the first Mass on top of Mount Cadillac, the highest point on the Atlantic Seaboard.

— 1904 —

Colonel L. Moore Cosgrave, '04, is Canadian Government Trade Commissioner at Sydney, Australia.

— 1909 —

Peter C. McCabe paid a long deferred visit to the College recently. He is Chicago manager of the Austin Company.

— 1920 —

Reverend David F. Cunningham, J. C. L., has been appointed Chancellor of the diocese of Syracuse.

Reverend James B. Ryan is now pastor at Caledonia, Ont.

— 1921 —

Reverend Paul Mallon, C.S.B., is spending this year at Laval University. Hostilities interrupted his stay in Paris soon after his arrival and he was forced to return to Canada.

— 1923 —

Alphonse O'Toole, Ph.D. (Mich.), has joined the staff of Mundelein College for Women, Chicago.

Reverend Charles B. Lanphier has been appointed pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Highland Creek. He continues his duties as Director of the Radio League of St. Michael.

— 1931 —

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Langan, Sarnia, Ont., have announced the birth of a daughter.

C. J. Daly recently returned from Columbia, S.A., to begin his studies in the Pontifical Institute.

— 1932 —

Reverend L. K. Shook, C.S.B., Ph.D. (Harvard) has been awarded a Sheldon Travelling Scholarship for a year's study in Iceland. Father Shook is concerned with the early development of Scandinavian languages.

— 1934 —

J. A. Lenahan is in charge of the Meteorological Service Bureau in Moncton, N.B.

Dr. J. A. Vining has been interning at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto.

— 1936 —

D. B. Kennedy, M.A., recalled from Winnipeg to give instruction in the aeronautical course at the University of Toronto, goes to Trenton to take charge of instruction in Meteorology for the R.C.A.F.

Reverend Peter B. Hussey was ordained on March 23rd. He is now engaged in youth work in North Bay, Ont.

Reverend Patrick B. O'Byrne is to be ordained in Calgary on May 18th.

Robert Bauer, now with the Boston Bruins of the National Hockey League, was awarded the Lady Byng Trophy this year. We are all glad to see Bob win this well-merited reward, the prize for the outstanding player in hockey. We hope to record this same event in future years.

Frank Bauer, a brother of Bob's, after graduating last year from the Lowell Textile Institute in Lowell, Mass., has returned to enter business in Waterloo.

John Blackburn is doing actuarial work with the Monarch Insurance Co., in Springfield, Mass.

— 1937 —

George Ingraham, who deserted the class to return to Detroit and join the Police Department, is graduating this year from the University of Detroit in law and hopes to be soon enrolled among the "G" men. George was here to make the retreat during Holy Week.

JUBILEE of University

Robert A. Bittner has recently begun his flying cadet training in the U. S. Air Corps. Joseph W. Gurnow, ex '41, was also chosen at the same time by the Army Air Corps examiners.

T. L. Wiacek has returned to the head office in Toronto from his work in the Meteorological Service in Halifax.

— 1938 —

Harold Saalwachter, after taking his degree in Naval Architecture at the University of Michigan, is engaged in his chosen work in New York City.

Peter Swan returned from the London School of Economics to enter St. Basil's Novitiate.

— 1939 —

A. M. Dixon and Harold LeMay, who attended the Ontario College of Education during the past year, have secured teaching posts in Kirkland Lake and South Porcupine respectively.

Other graduates pursuing their studies are: J. F. Culnan at St. Augustine's Seminary; J. J. Firth and P. Gorman at St. Basil's Novitiate; J. J. Henry and P. C. O'Neil at the Pontifical Institute; G. A. Delhomme at the Graduate School, U. of T.; M. M. Lamb at the Renmsler Institute; H. T. Sweeney at the University of Buffalo for Dentistry, and J. C. Ninfo is there for Medicine; C. J. Assini at the University of St. Louis and J. F. Flynn at Georgetown for Medicine. Studying law are J. F. Dunn, J. A. McDonald and S. P. Ryan at Osgoode Hall; E. P. Kennedy, J. F. McNamara and C. E. Thompson at Georgetown; F. A. O'Dea at Dalhousie University and J. T. Vergo at the University of Buffalo. G. W. Higgins is at the Ontario College of Education, J. V. Rigbey is a Demonstrator in the Science Department at the University of Toronto. A. G. Reilly holds a Fellowship at Niagara University.

The business world has claimed F. E. Dawson, Banking; J. A. Conway, Actuary; J. A. MacKinnon, Mining; and L. H. McLaughlin, Furniture.

— 1940 —

Douglas Darcy forced through illness to retire from the class, has been appointed Rhodes Scholar for Newfoundland for 1940.

— 1961 —

Prospects are encouraging. Since Christmas we have heard of the arrival of sons to seven recent graduates. The happy fathers are: T. P. O'Connor, '31; Tom Calnan, '30; Des Kennedy, '36; Charles Burns, '29; Dr. Joe Theobald, '25; Hugh Culkin, '34; Bas Healy, '34. Bas has named his boy after the College. Three of these boys are already enrolled in this class.

Ordinations.

On August 15th, the feast of the Assumption, fourteen young members of the Congregation of the Priests of St. Basil will be raised to the dignity of the Priesthood. Among them are members of the Alumni Association: F. J. Flood, '35; V. B. Brezik, '37; D. T. Faught, '37; C. P. Crowley, '36; J. J. Timmons, '35; L. J. Klem, '37; J. A. Fischette, '38; J. F. Haurahan, '37. One member of the class is a son of a former student, C. F. Carter, '35, son of James Carter, '00, of Owen Sound. M. Sheedy, a graduate of the High School, made his University course at Assumption College.

At Christmas the Reverend M. F. Whelan, C.S.B., received Sacred Orders. Father Whelan was a member of some of the famous Junior Hockey Teams a few years back.

Graduates.

Reports already issued indicate the success of former St. Michael's High School students in various faculties. Paul F. McGoey is a graduate of this year in Medicine. In Engineering, Thomas P. Callon, Peter J. McCabe, Thomas J. McQuaid, Francis G. Murphy, John Sterling Smith, Fred F. Walsh and Gilbert P. Wheaton finished their courses. John A. Murray is a graduate in Veterinary Science.

The Future.

What form should a bulletin for the Alumni take? Your secretary hopes that we will soon be able to carry on a Quarterly Journal containing not only news of the activities of the Alumni but also articles of interest and value. He will be glad to have your views and suggestions. Of great importance is a reliable mail service, carrying the reports of the doings of the Old Boys. There are a few members who faithfully give this service, but more are needed. If you have any interesting information please send it along.

Federation--MAY, 1941

• Meeting of Toronto Old Boys •

ON TUESDAY EVENING, April 2nd, there was held in Brennan Hall a pre-Jubilee meeting of the local members of the Association. About 350 Old Boys gathered for one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings of our history.

The purpose of this meeting was the formal announcement of the Jubilee celebration in May, '41. This news was received by the crowd with prolonged applause. Father Gonter outlined some of the highlights proposed for the celebration.

Mr. W. J. O'Brien, chairman of the local committee, outlined the progress made in the formation of the Toronto auxiliary and added a special note of thanks to the Parish Priests of Toronto, for their great help in giving the party the required publicity.

The meeting opened with an interesting picture of the thrills encountered by the thrill-hunting news cameraman. The College orchestra offered selections during the evening and a buffet supper was served at the close of the meeting.

Father McCorkell was ill at the time. The College welcome was extended by Father Forestell, who also thanked the Parish Chairmen for their efforts in contacting the Old Boys throughout the city. Dr. Phelan explained the significance of the recent charter to the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies.

Several members were called on for a few words, Monsignor Brennan, Mr. Justice Kelly, Mr. Justice McTague, and Father McAuley, the Past President.

During the evening several tables in the large dining hall became very popular as old class mates gathered together. Many of these had not had the opportunity of meeting each other in years and many were the stories told of ten, twenty and thirty years ago.

There will be another such meeting in October, at which the out of town men will have the opportunity of foregathering. Plans will be more definite then, and committees will be formed. Each Old Boy will have his part in this celebration, each one will be asked to do his bit to make the Jubilee of Federation the truly memorable occasion that the event demands.

AS THEY LEFT BRENNAN HALL.

"It is worth coming all the way from Ottawa to meet so many of my old friends. The entertainment was splendid and it was a most pleasant evening all the way through."

Ross Trimble, '24.

"The committee that worked up the Smoker and Entertainment are to be congratulated. I met some old friends at the party whom I had not seen for twenty years."

Frank McLaughlin.

"I came from Campbellford to attend the Smoker and entertainment and the size and excellence of the whole party was most commendable. It was certainly the biggest turnout of Old Boys I have ever seen."

Father McAuley, '04.

"I did not think it possible to get a turnout of four hundred. Brennan Hall is admirably suited for an evening of this kind."

Joe Mahon, '25.

"I enjoyed going back to the College very much. I met several of my former masters and it was a treat all the way through."

Jerry McGocoy, '33.

"The most striking thing about the gathering was the size of it and its enthusiasm. It was the biggest evening of its kind ever sponsored by the Old Boys' Association."

John Bennett, '12.

"It is a mighty auspicious start for the Jubilee celebration of 1941. As President of the Old Boys' Association I can simply say that I was delighted with the turnout."

Father Walter Gonter, '12.

FROM THE SUPERIOR.

"I do not remember a local meeting of the Alumni which produced so profound an impression upon all who attended, and they were many, as the meeting of April 2nd. Apparently it surprised everybody and they are talking about it ever since. If this is a foretaste of the gathering which is to celebrate the diamond Jubilee of University Federation in May, 1941, we can predict the greatest and most memorable meeting of St. Michael's Old Boys in the history of the College."

Father McCorkell, '11.

School Notes

ARTS BANQUET.

The thirtieth annual Arts Banquet was held in the Great Hall of Hart House on Wednesday evening, April 10th. The thought provoking address of the Hon. John Hearne, High Commissioner for Ireland, was heard with interest by some three hundred students and their guests. The latter included the Reverend and Hon. Dr. Cody, President of the University, Reverend Father McCorkell, President of the College, the Trustees of the College, Mr. Justice Hugh Kelly, Mr. Justice Charles McTague, the Hon. Peter Heenan, the Hon. P. M. Dwan, Senator McGuire, Warden Bickersteth, and members of the faculty.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS.

The past year has seen St. Michael's teams actively engaged in the various intra-mural sports. The football team, captained by Edward Cahill, was successful in recapturing the Mulock Cup, emblematic of University supremacy. The Lacrosse team also achieved championship

honours under the leadership of George Silvester. In Hockey and Water Polo our teams reached the finals. Other teams in competition were the Baseball, Volley Ball and Basket Ball.

Two of the three members of the outstanding line in Intercollegiate Hockey were St. Michael's men, Jack Quigley and Don Dunbar, both from Calgary. The University Basket Ball team generally looked like a St. Michael's team as six of the eight members were from St. Michael's. In Junior Hockey the Buzzers early succumbed in the stiff competition.

THE COLLEGE BAND.

This year saw the beginning of a College Band. Forty students under the direction of Mr. Cesar Borre have been practising faithfully all winter. On April 15th they made their first public appearance in a musicale under the auspices of St. Basil's St. Vincent de Paul Society. Their performance was admirable. At the rate of progress they should soon give a really professional touch to their renditions.

The College orchestra has been augmented further this year and now officiates capably at all College functions.

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